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MID-MONTH UPDATE



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COMMUNITY & NEW MEMBER WELCOME

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Check it out!

Community Guidelines

Register and join us at Lace on Race Café

MLK Day: January 18, 2021

LACE ON RACE FEATURED POSTS

Note: You will need to sign-in to the Lace on Race website to access the links.

Dr. Marcella Nunez Smith Takes Aim at Racial Gaps in Healthcare

Laura's Thoughts on the Violent Disruption of our Democracy

Lest We Forget History - Dividing Up Africa in 1884

Meet the Black Women that Turned Georgia Blue

Why Nursing Homes Failed so Badly

KEY POSTS TO VISIT & REVISIT

STARTER POSTS
Guideline Videos
Community Onboarding
Relational Ethics
Obstacles to Growth & Community
Encouragement, Exhortation & the Can't
React, Emojis & Engagement
White Woman & Oppression
Critical Discussion Posts
Hope & Vision

GUIDELINE #4

If there is no new material posted up by me or the Admin Team, that does not mean there is nothing to gain. We can say this with confidence: very few of you have actually read through and *commented on* every pinned post and website article.

And even if you have, it is always profitable for you to revisit them. – Lace Watkins

CHEF'S TABLE & SUSTAINERS CIRCLE

Chef's Table:

Chef's Table at the Lace on Race Café is a forum for walkers who are ready to work deeper, harder and faster in service to our North Star. Walkers invited to this table will have demonstrated relentless reliability; resilience through lumpy crossings; dedicated financial engagement (of any capacity); and high levels of community participation. Chef's Table Self-Evaluation Form

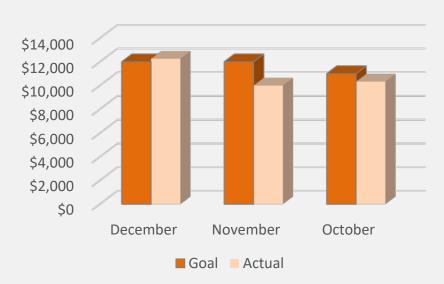
Sustainers Circle:

A sustainer is someone who has consistently been in the Lace on Race community for <u>six months or more</u> and is committed to financially sustaining this space and reliably engaging in the community. <u>Sustainer Application</u>

Sustainer-in-Training:

If you do not meet the Sustainer criteria because you have not been a consistent community member for six months or more, but you are still interested in becoming a Sustainer, please fill out our **Sustainer-in-Training Form**.

PREVIOUS FINANCIAL ENGAGEMENT



To community walkers who have and continue to financially engage, we give thanks. It's your generosity that allows Lace on Race to act in concert with our ethos.

LACE ON RACE MENTAL & EMOTIONAL HEALTH FUND

This fund will allow Black and Brown women to find time for themselves in authentic, healing self-care. To be able to stop, reflect, to rest. To be able to grieve, to mourn, to commiserate. To experience playfulness and joy, while cherishing one another and themselves.

Monthly engagement goal is to disburse up to \$1,000 from this fund.

To Apply To Contribute

LOR MERCH



Menu Order Form

FEATURED COMMUNITY PARTNERS



The King Center

Headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia

This center prepares global citizens to create a more just, humane and peaceful world using Dr. King's nonviolent philosophy and methodology (Nonviolence 365).

Engagement: \$1,000

The People's Justice Council Headquartered in Birmingham, Alabama



Our beloved community consists of those that have been downtrodden, demeaned, & disenfranchised, along with, those who want to do something about it. Our faith community is an interfaith one that believes we should be grounded in love for Creation & Creator. We believe in having an ambitious vision of having a just and equitable world, and we fight to see this vision actualized.

Engagement: \$1,000

SEPT.-DEC. COMMUNITY PARTNERS

The Snack Sack, \$1,000

An organization that works to provide healthy and nutritious snacks and meals to struggling families, especially those hardest hit during the pandemic now that so many more children are at home all day and don't have access to meals at school.

The Texas Organization Project (TOP), \$1,000

TOP organizes Black and Latino communities in Dallas, Harris and Bexar counties with the goal of transforming Texas into a state where working people of color have the power and representation they deserve, through the efforts of more than 100,000 members and supporters who help lead direct-action organizing, grassroots lobbying and electoral organizing.

Pillars of the Community, \$1,000

Pillars of the Community is committed to embracing and celebrating the historic, rich and diverse culture of SE San Diego. We strive to counter the criminalization of our community through community organizing, leadership development and strategic partnerships.

Kinfolk Kollective, \$1,000

Kinfolk Kollective is a one-woman show run by LaSha Patterson-Verona. LaSha is boldly outspoken about her love and celebration of black people. In her space, she provides ongoing support for black single mothers (food, shelter, eviction prevention, assisting in escaping domestic violence situations, etc.) KK also organizes annual back to school and holiday initiatives to partner donors with recipients at especially costly times of the year. Currently, LaSha has a fund specifically for needs connected to COVID – still to primarily aid black single mothers.

Helping Each Adolescent Reach Their Spark (H.E.A.R.T.S.), \$1,000

An organization that educates and equips adolescent mothers and fathers with the tools needed to become effective parents and 21st century citizens.

Louisville Community Bail Fund, \$1,070

This fund exists to not only bail out folks but provide post-release support to get them from jail, fed and to a situation of safety. LCBF also maintains a focus on preventative measures for those targeted by law enforcement and threatened with incarceration. While we work with national networks, we are also one of the only bail funds that rely entirely on support from individuals in our social justice community.

Black Trans Advocacy Coalition, \$1,052.63

This coalition is a social justice organization led by black trans people to collectively address the inequities faced in the black transgender human experience.



A new year!

In six short days, Lace on Race will be three years old. It has been an absolute pleasure to walk with all of you. Some things have changed since I launched the Facebook Page: we are now active across all major platforms, and what we have been promising for over two years has come to full fruition: a Cafe; a community of communities which will create even more cohesion and encourage us even more toward our North Star. We are introducing our week-long tribute to Martin Luther King, and right after that, the Grand Opening of the fully realized Lace on Race Cafe.

None of this would be possible absent you all. Individually and collectively, it is all of you who have brought Lace on Race this far. For this, I am so grateful. It has been your faithful support, thoughtful engagement, and relentless reliability that has allowed me to make Lace on Race my only vocation, something I could not have even dreamed of three years ago. I am humbled.

I look forward to all this year has in store, starting with the Five Tenets, and then on to more applied relational ethics with Terry Real, The Good Place, and Kimmy Schmidt. As we do our best to present you engaging material which will allow you to get it in, internalize, and live it out, our constant commitment is to never waver in being a leadership team worth following, and co creating a community worth abiding in.

Wow! Another year. Here's to many more!

Let's all keep walking, hiking, slogging, skipping--all in determined service to North Star living. As always, Your Lace



